

**MINUTES OF THE  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION**

Thursday, November 13, 2000 – 1:00 p.m. – Room 403 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. David H. Steele, Chair  
Rep. Richard M. Siddoway, Chair  
Sen. Scott N. Howell  
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow  
Rep. David L. Zolman  
Mr. Cameron V. Francis  
Mr. Peter R. Genereaux  
Ms. Nancy CW Gibbs  
Mr. Leon Miller  
Mr. Jerold G. Oldroyd  
Mr. Alan Sherwood

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Robert Montgomery  
Dr. Mike Petersen  
Mr. Jerry P. Peterson

**Members Excused:**

Mr. Daniel J. Becker  
Mr. Ronald L. Fox  
Mr. Robert W. Hood  
Mr. Garth Howard  
Commissioner Stephen F. Mecham  
Mr. David A. Packer

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Richard C. North,  
Research Analyst  
Mr. Keith M. Woodwell,  
Associate General Counsel  
Ms. Junie G. Anderson,  
Legislative Secretary

**Note:** A list of others present and a copy of materials distributed in the meeting are on file in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

**1. Call to Order** - Chair Steele called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

**MOTION:** Mr. Genereaux moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2000 meeting. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen Howell absent for the vote.

**2. State Information Technology Budget Report** - Mr. Jon Ball, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, gave a slide presentation titled "Information Technology Budget Requests." He also distributed a copy of the presentation to commission members.

Mr. Ball explained the cost of the 800 MHz conversion. He said that last year's budget was split with 75% as a one-time charge for new radios and 25% for ongoing charges. He said this year, the ongoing money will be transferred to those agencies that received the money under the CIO's allocation to cover existing radios. He said ongoing funding is being requested to cover operating expenses.

Mr. George Brown, Office of Public Education, emphasized the need for funding of a redundant Internet access point so a failure does not become catastrophic to everyone using the network. He also explained the structure in place for allocations of ETI funds.

**3. Draft Legislation “Electronic Government Services Amendments - Environmental Quality”** - Mr. Woodwell explained the language in the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Goodfellow moved to approve draft legislation titled “Electronic Government Services Amendments - Environmental Quality” as a committee bill. The motion passed unanimously.

**Draft Legislation “Electronic Government Services Amendments - Drivers License** - Mr. North explained recommended amendments to the bill, and Mr. Dave Beach, Director, Drivers License Division, agreed with the proposed changes.

**MOTION:** Rep. Siddoway moved to approve amendments to draft legislation titled “Electronic Government Services Amendments - Drivers License.” The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Howell and Mr. Sherwood absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Goodfellow moved to approve draft legislation titled “Electronic Government Services Amendments - Drivers License” as a committee bill. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Howell and Mr. Sherwood absent for the vote.

**4. Draft Legislation “Filing Employee Tax Information Electronically”** - Mr. Rod Marrelli, Executive Director, Utah State Tax Commission, recommended Utah’s large businesses, 250 or more employees, file electronically as required by the federal government.

**MOTION:** Rep. Goodfellow moved to approve draft legislation titled “Filing Employee Tax Information Electronically” as a committee bill. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Howell absent for the vote.

**5. Chief Information Officer Annual Report** - Mr. Alan Sherwood, Acting Chief Information Officer, distributed a report titled “Annual Technology Report” and discussed its contents.

Mr. Miller recommended support of the commission for additional Information Technology Innovation funds.

**MOTION:** Rep. Siddoway moved that staff draft a letter to the Executive Appropriations Committee indicating the prioritization of these items. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Howell absent for the vote.

Mr. Sherwood recommended a proposed change in the language on page 18, item 5(a) as indicated in the Annual Technology Report to allow agencies to work together.

**MOTION:** Rep. Siddoway moved that staff draft legislation to include the amendment on page 18, item 5(a) as indicated in the Annual Technology Report. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Howell absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Siddoway moved to approve the draft legislation, including the amendment as indicated on page 18, item 5(a) of the Annual Technology Report. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Howell absent for the vote.

**6. Utah Telehealth Network Report** - Ms. Marta J. Petersen, Utah Telehealth Commission, distributed a brochure titled “Utah Telehealth Network.” She also distributed a report titled “Report and Proposal for the Utah Telehealth Network” and gave a presentation on the report.

Ms. Deborah LaMarche, Utah Telehealth Network, distributed a letter written to the Information Technology Commission from the Utah Hospital Association seeking support for expanding the Utah Telehealth Network. A chapter of the code known as the “Utah Telehealth Commission Act” was also distributed.

Ms. LaMarche explained the proposal to partner with ITS to develop an efficient statewide Telehealth infrastructure as outlined on page 7 of the report. She also discussed the proposed budget to be considered.

Mr. Chuck Davis, Administrator and CEO, Allen Memorial Hospital, spoke in support of the Telehealth Network and pointed out some of the reasons for supporting the network.

Mr. Dave Gissell, Vice President of Government Relations for Utah Hospital Association, also recommended support of the network.

Sen. Howell suggested that Ms. Petersen and Ms. LaMache take their proposal to the local legislators for their districts and also to contact the Chair of the Executive Appropriations Committee.

**7. Privacy: What Public Information Is Sold By The Utah Department Of Commerce, To Whom, And How Is That Information Is Protected?**

Three articles from *The National Law Journal* were distributed titled “International Law - E.U. Privacy Directive,” “E-Commerce - Electronic Signatures,” and “Protecting Genome Privacy Proves Hard” were distributed.

Ms. Klare Bachman, Deputy Director, Department of Commerce (DOC), briefed the commission on DOPL's information sales and privacy protection systems. She distributed a handout titled "Utah Department of Commerce - Public Information Availability and Fee Structure" and explained the facts as outlined.

**9. Adjournment -**

**MOTION:** Ms. Gibbs moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:51 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.